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In this February issue, I have shown most of the 1996 Christmas wood issues received. There are still a few remaining to be shown in next month's Timber Talk. Many

thanks to all who forwarded their woods to me.

Seasons Greetings...
GLENN & MILDRED
RODGER
165 PHILLIPS DRIVE
FREDERICTON, N.B.
CANADA - E3C 1E8



The Ontario Numismatic Association (ONA) annual convention and show is this year being held in *Windsor*, *Ontario* and is hosted by the *Windsor Coin Club*. Our CAWMC organization always holds a wooden money meeting at this convention. Plan on attending as there are usually lots of new woods available. The ONA will be held April 18th to 20th at the Ramada Inn 480 Riverside Dr. West, across from the casino. The CAWMC wood meeting is currently scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 19th, 1997.

Have you renewed your subscription to CAWMC yet?

Al Munro, our membership chairman, indicates that most of our current members have already renewed. Some have even renewed for the year 1998. If you have yet to renew for this year, please do it now before you forget. Many thanks for your continued support of our hobby. Al's address is on page two.

Your editor needs articles and anecdotes for this newsletter. Please send along to me anything interesting related to our hobby so it can be shared with all our members. We can't spell "S CCESS" without "U".

This year, 1997, is an election year for CAWMC and nomination forms will be sent out in next month's "Timber Talk" issue. Our new slate of officers is finalized at the CAWMC meeting held in conjunction with the annual Canadian Numismatic Association convention being held this year in Moncton, New Brunswick in the month of July. Up for election are the three positions of President, Vice President and Secretary Treasurer / Membership Chairman, as well as a six member Board of Governors. Please be thinking about whom you might wish to nominate for one of these executive positions.

Digger Al Munro is still 'digging'. He recently phoned me to say that he had uncovered some relatively scarce wood issues for his own collection, from a local coin dealer. Al also indicated that he would be sending to me, some free wood issues for all our members and that he had a lead on some other Calgary, Alberta woods that he would be checking out. Good luck to you, Al.

Speaking of FREE WOODS! Your editor needs some as you will see below. If you are getting a wood made or if you have extra of some wood and can share it with others, please send it along to me. All donations and very much appreciated.

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AL MUNRO

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ROSS KINGDON

Fund Raiser:

GARRY BRAUNWARTH

Auction Coordinator:

AL MUNRO

DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is:

Canadian Residents- \$10.00 Canadian funds
United States Residents- \$10.00 U.S. funds
International Members Rate (outside Can. & U.S.)\$20.00 Canadian funds
Youth (16 years of age and under)- \$5.00
Dues payed to Mr. Al Munro Box 2643 Stn. 'M'

Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 3C1

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH

No free wood is shown this month. Although your editor has a number of woods in stock that have, in years past, been donated to 'Timber Talk' for distribution as a free wood, none is in sufficient quantity to give the same wood to all of the membership. I about two dozen different donations in quantities ranging from 10 to 90. Nearly all have been given out in the past, as a free wood in 'Timber Talk' by either myself or one of the previous editors. This month's free wood is one of four different woods. What you see is what you get. They were chosen on a "grab bag", lottery basis. To those responsible for donating these to our stock in the past, I sincerely thank you.

IDENTIFYING SIMILAR AND ERROR WOODS

By Norm Belsten

Here are a few tips to help you identify woods, along with some examples.

- 1. When looking at woods made by the hot stamping process, keep in mind that they were all made *after 1983*, with the exception of a few made by Lou Vesh in the early 1980s.
- 2. When viewing the wood, see if it is hot stamped both sides or one side, or printed both sides or one side. Some woods were issued in the same colours but one issue printed and the other one hot stamped, or a combination of both.

(5909-025 hot stamped and printed; 5909-048 hot stamped only, blue both sides)

- 3. Check the colour carefully. Is it dull, bright or a little off shade?
- (5100-036 hot stamped in dull colour; 5100-038 hot stamped in shiny metallic colour, both woods red and green)
- 4. Look to see if the wood has been altered with ink, a different date, a spelling mistake or an overstamp.
- (3300-078 and 079 the 'o' in Fredericton on the error wood was a 'c' and altered with a red pen to make it into an 'o' -- you have to look very closely to see this one) (8875-001a, 1b, 2 -- with no date, inked date, printed date)

(5270-001a, b, c -- all with different dates)

5. Check the name and the event on the wood. It may be a clue as to where it is listed.

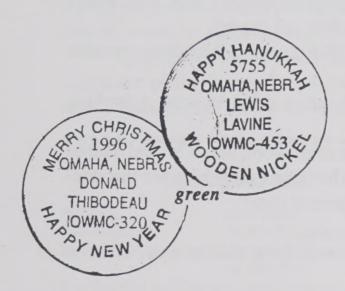
(Most T.I.C.F. woods are listed under Toronto - 5900)

- (C.N.A. and O.N.A. woods were listed where the event was held before 1985, and in the issuers place of residence after 1985)
- 6. The date of issue is sometimes helpful in determining which wood it is in the listing. Some woods were issued different years with little change in design.
- (5100 Huronia Numismatic Association issued show woods every year for several years in a row as did several other coin clubs)
- 7. A reference to 'Made in U.S.A.' or just the letters 'U.S.A.', stamped on the wood, is sometimes, but not always, an indication that it is a Canadian wood.
- 8. The town or city, on the wood, does not always mean that it is Canadian. There are many U.S. towns and cities with the same names as those in Canada.

These are a few things that hopefully will help you in trying to identify woods. If when trying to find a wood in the catalogue, it is not there, it may be a new issue not yet listed, or you may have found an unlisted older wood. *Congratulations*.



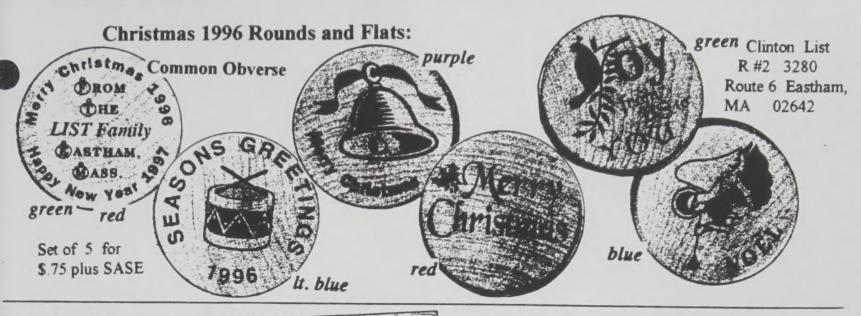
Dave Gillespie of Orangeville, Ontario has issued sixty woods, similar to the one pictured here, for Christmas 1996. His wife gets credit for painting the snowman on the one side of each wood. Each wood is numbered, in red, one to sixty on the reverse side. There are four different style snowmen painted, therefore fifteen of each. Dave's address is 3 Old Oak Lane Orangeville, Ont., Can., L9W 4B1. The snowman side is multi coloured while the reverse is blue with a red number.



This wood was sent to me by CAWMC member <u>Donald Thibodeau</u>. The wood can be obtained from him for \$.50 in U.S. funds and a SASE. Address is 3102 South 32nd Ave. Omaha, Nebraska, U.S.A. 68105-3636. Colour is green on both sides.

These <u>Bob and Pearl Busker</u> woods were given out as a free wood to all members of I.O.W.M.C. with the latest issue of their newsletter 'Bunyan's Chips'. Address is B.& P. Busker 1009 Castalia, Bellevue, Ohio, 44811. Both woods are red on both sides.





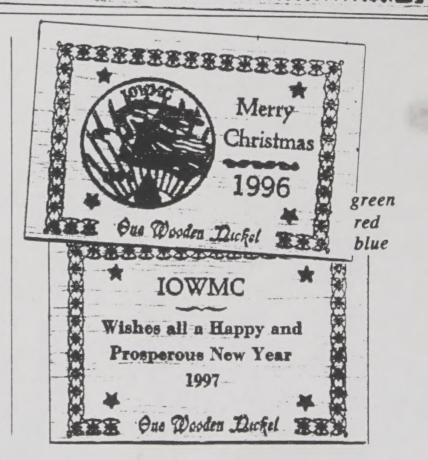


May God fill your hearts
with love, your days with
Peace and your mind
with Happy Memories

Mayme & Walter Scott
Elkton, Maryland

green_red_blue





Christmas 1996 Flats:

Season's Greetings

1996

Common Obverse



Best Wishes for the Holidays and Happiness throughout the New Year

blue/black

Ken Wilmot

VALUE: 2 cents IN CANADA

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season

AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE NEW YEAR

Ross, Ann, Dave & Murray Kingdon

red/black

Best Wishes for the Holidays and Happiness throughout the New Year

Wilf. & Winnie. Becker ONE WOOD QUARTER

red/black









green

JEN & TED BOXALL RICHMOND HILL, ONT.

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